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AN ACT to incorporate the American Improve- Passed March 10, 1858. ment Company.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assem- Incorporated. bly of Maryland, That George W. Hughes, Duff Green and Silas Semour, and the persons who may become the owners of the shares herein authorised to be issued, be and they are hereby made a body corporate, under the name and style of the American Improvement Company, and in that name may have perpetual succession, and may purchase, have, hold, use and acquire, by any lawful means, estate real and personal, and the same may use, sell, lease, let, mortgage, transfer and convey, and otherwise dispose of; and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, and have and use a common seal, and the same may change at pleasure; and may make by-laws and regulations for the management of their affairs; and may have and use all the powers, rights and privileges, which are or may be necessary and proper for them to have, as a Company incorporated for the purposes herein stated. from to their capital about, abail not exceed 06, though